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## How Earthquake Resistant is Your Home?

Imagine your home was located in a high-risk area for earthquakes. Complete the following questions to determine how earthquake resistant your home is and how to make it safer in the event of such a disaster.

1. Check YES, NO, or, DOES NOT APPLY in response to each of the following questions:

	QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF	YES	NO	DOES NOT APPLY
A	Are bookshelves secured to the wall?			
B	Are cabinets built in or fastened to the wall?			
C	If heavy objects are stored on shelves or in cabinets, are they stored in low ones so that they are not above your head?			
D	Are there any mirrors or glass near your living area?			
E	Are TVs and computers attached to a stationary table, cabinet, or desk?			
F	Are picture frames and wall hangings securely attached to the wall?			
G	Are hanging plants in lightweight pots?			
H	Are chemicals (such as cleaners) stored in locked cabinets?			

2. Look outside your home. Here are the places to avoid if an earthquake hits. Put an "X" next to those items that you see:

Brick chimney \_\_\_\_\_  
Large windows \_\_\_\_\_  
Power lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Large trees \_\_\_\_\_  
Outside decorations and large signs \_\_\_\_\_

3. Using the above information, create a plan. What could you do to make your home more "quake-proof"? Where would you go if there was an earthquake? Write or draw (and label) your plan on the BACK of this sheet.